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Title:

INVESTIGATING DIFFERENT PHYSICAL AND/OR

CHEMICAL FORMS OF MATERIALS

Art Unit:

Examiner:

Action:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Date:

December 7, 2001

TO:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the claims:

Kindly replace the claims pages on file with the attached Clean Copy Of Pending Claims Including Amendments Made December 7, 2001, Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(3). A Marked-Up Version of Amended Claims Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(ii) is also attached hereto, showing the changes made by Microsoft Word 2000 redline method. This Amendment amends claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 10-12, 14, 15, 17-19, 21-23, 25, 26, 34, and 36-43.

Remarks

The present Preliminary Amendment is submitted in regard to the U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/GB01/01593. Filed concurrently herewith is a Form PTO-1390 (Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US)

Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371) in regard to the above-identified application. The claim fees as set forth therein are calculated pursuant to the amendments to the claims made in the present Preliminary Amendment. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-1940.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter an allowance of all claims in this case. Action to that end is courteously solicited. If any issues remain to be resolved, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney for the Applicant at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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